

JESSE WILLARD WINS.

Knocks Out Soldier Kearns in Eighth Round.

New York, Dec. 27.—Jesse Willard knocked out "Soldier" Kearns in the eighth round of a scheduled 10-round bout at Madison Square Garden to-night.

The knockout came suddenly. Kearns landed a hard left to the ribs and a right to the neck. The blows appeared to anger the Texas fighter and he immediately rushed, and in a mix up sent a left hook up under Kearns' chin and followed it quickly with a right hook. Kearns dropped, and was counted out.

Neither fighter showed much knowledge of boxing. The weights were: Willard, 221; Kearns, 196.

Sheriff Harburger, of New York county, attended the bout in his official capacity, and watched the contest closely, but made no move to interfere. After the bout he said he had seen no reason whatever for interference. During the afternoon he had received a telegram from Governor Dix, which read:

"I have just received from a responsible source a telegram in the following words: 'A prize fighter engaged to appear in a public contest at Madison Square Garden Friday has made the following statement, over his own signature: I will lick Willard with the first punch, if I can. I hope to put one on his jaw or his stomach with the first round, and stop him as quickly as I did "One Round Davis." I will certainly try to put him to sleep as quickly as possible.

"(Signed) ALFRED J. KEARNS."

"I know that you will do everything proper and necessary in relation to this matter in the line of your official duty."

WHERE HONORS GO.

Interest Centers in King George's Patronage for New Year's Day.

London, Dec. 27.—The honor to be conferred by King George on New Year's Day have given rise to some interesting rumors.

The vacancy roll of the order of merit naturally creates the greatest speculation. The name of Mrs. Humphrey Ward, the writer, has been mentioned in this connection, but it is likely that while she will receive some recognition this greatest honor will go to some member of the British Academy. Many people would like to see Sir Aston Webb, the architect, become the successor to the late Sir Lawrence Alma-Tadema as a member of the order. It is said that John S. Sargent, the American artist, would have received it had he become a British subject.

Johnston Forbes-Robertson, the actor, it is said, will on this occasion, be dubbed a knight.

Prince Arthur, of Connaught, the Duke of Connaught, Governor General of Canada, is due to receive a dukedom, probably that of Kent, but this may be postponed until the King's birthday.

New peerages will be few and all of them outside of Parliament as the government is not willing to run any further risks of losing by-elections.

OUTPLAYS THE VETERAN

Paul Hunter Beats Travis in Qualification Rounds.

Pinehurst, N. C., December 27.—Paul Hunter, Midlothian Club, Chicago, outplayed Walter J. Travis, the Garden City veteran, in the qualification round today of the 9th annual Pinehurst golf tournament. Hunter brought in a card of 75, while Travis covered the course in 82. A high wind made play difficult.

In the rounds today 18 of 69 entrants qualified for play in the match rounds which continue through next Tuesday. Among the leaders were the following: C. L. Becker, Woodland, 88; I. S. Robeson, Oak Hill, 91; R. G. Shaw, Brookline; C. L. Bishop, Yale, and A. H. Shaw, Brookline, 92; C. B. Hudson, New Suffolk; H. S. Horton, Midland; J. C. Linneman, Shawnee, and T. B. Boyd, Glen Echo, 92; G. H. Crocker, Brookline; W. S. Rathbone, Detroit; E. J. Clark, Hartford; J. M. Thompson, Spring Haven, and W. E. Truesdell, Fox Hill, 96.

NO FOOTBALL CHANGES

First Time in Years College Representatives Will Let Stand.

New York, December 26.—Many of the 90 representatives of the colleges and universities at the National Collegiate Athletic Association meeting reached the city today, anticipating that the sessions, which open tomorrow, will bring out much that is interesting toward the solution of problems in college athletics.

The organization was formed in 1905, when the general antagonism against the American game of football prompted a general gathering of the athletic heads for a reformation. The meeting is to be presided over this year by Dean Le Baron Russell Briggs, of Harvard.

For the first time in many years there will be no discussion of further changes in the present football rules, as colleges all over the country have expressed a desire to give the rules at least another year's trial.

COLUMBIA THE WINNER

Bests Harvard, Yale and Princeton in Chess Tournament.

New York, December 27.—For the third successive time, Columbia won the annual chess tournament, the 23rd of the series with Harvard, Yale and Princeton, by taking three points out of four from Princeton in the match postponed from the first round and played off today.

Columbia finished with a total of eight points, with Harvard, 7 1-2 points, second; Yale third, with 4 1-2 and Princeton last, with four. By means of this success Columbia overtakes Harvard in the long series of which these two universities have each nine victories to their credit. In addition, however, Harvard tied once with Yale. Princeton and Yale have each won one tournament.

Garden City, Kan., Dec. 27.—William H. Thompson, United States Senator elect, narrowly escaped serious injury Christmas night, it was learned today, when his Santa Claus costume caught fire. His hands were burned and most of his hair singed off. The Senator threw himself in a rug, and extinguished the flames.

THREE CLUB RACE.

Boston, Washington and Philadelphia Contenders, Says McAleer.

(From Richmond Times-Dispatch.)

Jimmy McAleer, the president of the Red Sox, has a few words to say about next season's race in the American League. With excellent judgment, Jimmy does not predict that the Red Sox will grab the pennant again. He believes that it will be a race between the Red Sox, the Athletics and Washington. Mr. McAleer says: "It will be a blanket affair between the three strong Eastern clubs. Callahan's team has some merit, and is always dangerous with Ed Walsh on the mound. Cal thinks very highly of his young first baseman, Borton, and he has a corking good second sacker in Rath. "One of the hardest teams for us to beat will be the Athletics. Mack's team had a bad year last season, but the way the club got together down in Cuba shows that the stuff is there. It must have been a blow to those players to see our boys in Boston sharing the rich results of the world's series, and I think they will work very hard to get back the honors which we took away from them. Connie has a great ball club in every department. It is a slugging outfit, likely to break up a game in any inning. I think the Athletic pitching staff will be much stronger next year.

"The Washington club will also be a factor in the race, I am sure. It depends a great deal on the pitching staff. I selected all the men of this club with the exception of Gandil, who joined them in the middle of last season. The rest of the club is what I left at Washington when I came to Boston, so I know about what the players can do.

"Of course, there is little to be said about Walter Johnson, except that he is the greatest pitcher in the country. When he steps into the box a victory is right in the grasp of his team, if they can hit the opposing pitcher at all. A couple of runs will win for Walter day after day. He has no off day, and he is in control. I have never known him to be in hole so deeply as to affect his work."

Manager Hugh Jennings, of the Tigers, says that the Giants will not win the pennant in the National League next season, but that the Pirates will take the flag. Hughes thinks that Pittsburgh will get Bresnahan and that there will be nothing to it after that. "The Pirates have one of the best pitching staffs in the league," says Hughes. "The Giants will not be able to get the big lead they got last season.

"Evers will be up against it with the Cubs. That ball club must be built all over again. Evers will probably worry himself sick, as he is a nervous fellow. The Chicago fans are disappointed in the Cub management, and if the Cubs do not win from the start the anvil chorus will get busy."

WASNT SURE OF ANYONE

Waldo Believed Members of Police Department Were Grifters.

New York, December 27.—"Are you sure of Becker?"

"I am not sure of anyone at police headquarters."

This is the question which former Commissioner of Accounts Fossdick today told the aldermanic committee investigating the police department that he asked Police Commissioner Waldo early this year, and the answer which he declared Mr. Waldo made.

Former Police Lieutenant Charles Becker referred to by Mr. Fossdick, was recently convicted of the murder of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, and is now confined in the death house at Sing Sing prison. Becker headed the "strong arm" squad, which raided many gambling houses.

Commissioner Waldo, who also was a witness before the committee, denied that he had hampered investigators of his department by withholding police records from them.

"Early in 1912," Fossdick declared in his testimony, "I was told by a large number of complaints in regard to a certain police officer. He was in charge of a squad.

"I told the police commissioner I had been getting a large number of complaints regarding Lieutenant Becker and that they came in such numbers that we were uneasy about it. We asked him if he was sure of Becker. He said he was not sure of anyone at headquarters, but that under the system by which the men watched each other closely and jealousy he thought it would be impossible to carry on such operations. I told him I did not believe it possible to invent a system, that human ingenuity could not defeat."

STORM RAVAGES CHANNEL.

Serious Wrecks on French Coast—Shipping Seeks Refuge.

Havre, France, Dec. 27.—The storm which has ravaged the English Channel for the past few days has caused serious depredations on the French coast. The harbor works of this port have suffered considerable damage.

Dispatches from Cherbourg state that many steamers and sailing vessels have taken refuge there from the gale. Telegrams from Brest say that the harbor is crowded.

A sailing vessel was driven ashore today on the island of Brehat, off the Brittany coast and a torpedo boat has been sent from Brest to bring off the survivors of the crew.

HAD PERILOUS TRIP

Three Missing—Men of Fishing Party Picked Up by Boat.

Molite, Ala., December 27.—With provisions exhausted and reduced to the extremity of drinking salt water, three missing men of a fishing party which left Ceden last Friday were picked up late Thursday evening by the schooner Amethyst off the Western point of Dauphin Island. The men, William Wheeler, Elsie Barnes and John Barnes, told a harrowing story of a battle with the waves in a 26-foot open launch, to Captain Graham, of the Amethyst.

Last Friday night the three men left Ceden in the launch, newly provisioned for two days. That same night the engine broke down. Within sight of land the boat tossed about in the Gulf, the men working through the night in efforts to make the engine run. Day broke without results.

Then they took turns at paddling, making but little headway against the tide and wind. Scarcely any of the scant supply of provisions was left on Sunday and, prepared for the worst, the men contented themselves with mouthfuls of food. They reached Petit Bois Island, spending Christmas Day on the dreary waste, hungry and anxious.

On Thursday morning they made an effort to reach Dauphin Island, after succeeding in patching the engine. But once more it failed them and again they were tossed about by a rising sea. When the rescue party sighted the tossing craft, the three men were huddled together famishing, cold and weak.

CAUSE OF BIG STRIKE.

Strikers Testify They Couldn't Earn Enough to Live On.

Little Falls, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Low wages, which made it impossible for them to earn enough to live on, despite long hours, was the direct cause of the big strike in the textile mills, according to the testimony today of a score of witnesses before members of the State Board of Arbitration, who are acting as mediators. The strike has been in progress for months and has resulted in frequent outbreaks. Men, women and girls who appeared as witnesses, united in saying their only grievance related to wages.

All of the witnesses of the Industrial Workers of the World were born in Europe and have been in this country from one to 10 years. Most of them were examined through interpreters. They were given wide range in testifying, but the stories varied little.

Practically all the witnesses were piece hands. None of them received more than \$11 a week. When the law limited their work to 54 hours went into effect they testified that wages had fallen as low as \$7 and \$6 a week, and even lower, in some cases.

Their demands, which they said led to the strike, were that they should receive 60 hours' pay for 54 hours' work, and a 15 per cent. increase for piece work.

Several night workers testified that they worked 13 hours with half an hour off for lunch and received \$10 and \$11 a week.

HOUSEWIVES TO BENEFIT

Parcels Post Will Bring Country Produce to Their Doors.

New York, December 27.—Apples, fresh eggs and country butter direct from the farm to the housewife by parcels post, to reach half a million homes in New York and its environs—this is the newest plan announced today, of Mrs. Julian Heath, president of the National Housewives' League. Mrs. Heath says her plan will become operative to some extent on January 1st, when the mails are opened to parcels post packages.

Mrs. Heath's plan to eliminate the "middleman" involves the creation of a registry committee. This committee has begun its preliminary work of listing all farmers within a 50-mile zone. The rolls will be opened to all housekeepers who wish to avail themselves of an opportunity to obtain fresh produce at small cost.

The league will work in harmony with the State Grange.

The resultant economy, Mrs. Heath believes, will be dual, inasmuch as the farmer will receive more for his produce than he now receives from dealers, while the consumers will get fresh food at lower prices than those now charged. The plan will be extended, Mrs. Heath said, to include vegetables in season.

Similar registry bureaus will be open next Wednesday in the principal cities of the country, Mrs. Heath declared.

FRENCH GOLF CHALLENGE.

Team of Four Americans Invited to Compete Near Paris.

New York, Dec. 27.—An invitation which American golfers consider tantamount to a challenge from French golfers, is made public today in the form of a letter to Secretary Robert C. Watson, of the United States Golf Association, from President Deschamps, of the Golf de Paris Club. Regarded as a challenge, it is the first which French golfers have offered the Americans, although American amateurs and professionals have competed on French courses without "getting in the money."

A team of four American professional golfers is invited to compete on La-boutie links, near Paris, in the French tournament which will follow the competition for the British open title in the latter part of June. The contest to be for a substantial purse together with a stated amount for traveling and maintenance expenses if the same team which appears in the British open championship will visit France. The challenge has been acknowledged and its probable acceptance indicated, although no official action has yet been taken.

New York, Dec. 27.—A proposition to include New York city in the grand circuit of trotting meetings this year will be presented to the stewards of the circuit at their annual meeting in Pittsburgh January 14, according to report in sporting circles. R. M. Williams is named as one of the horsemen interested in the proposition. A plan to include New York last year was adopted, but later abandoned.

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"HISTORY OF LITERATURE."

Is Subject of Address by Col. Roosevelt.

Boston, Dec. 27.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt, speaking on the "History of Literature" in Symphony Hall to-night, addressed members of six National associations now holding conventions here. He is president of one of these societies, the American Historical Association. The other organizations are the American Association for Labor Legislation; the American Sociological Society, the American Statistical Association, the American Economic Association, and the American Political Science Society.

Col. Roosevelt discussed the art of the historian from the standpoint of science, poetry, mythology and literature. He argued that history should welcome the entrance upon its domain of every science and that future historians should make use of material from every possible source to convey vivid and life-like pictures to others of the past whose secrets they lay bare.

The great historian of the future, he declared, would be the man who had the genius to reconstruct for his readers the immense panorama of the past. He must possess knowledge and wisdom. He must use his material with such potent wizardry "that we shall see the life that was and not the death that is. Whether it be Egypt, or Mesopotamia or Scandinavia with which he deals, the great historian, if he facts permit him, will put before us the men and women as they actually lived so that we shall recognize them for what they were, living beings."

POSTPONE REORGANIZATION.

Congressman Adamson Thinks Wilson Should Select Canal Officials.

Carrollton, Ga., Dec. 27.—Exception was taken in a statement today by Congressman W. C. Adamson, to the proposed reorganization of the Panama canal forces indicated in recent utterances of President Taft.

Congressman Adamson, author of the law recently enacted for the government of the zone, says: "President Taft ought not unnecessarily to worry himself about transforming the system on the zone. The next Congress and the next administration will have ample opportunity to accord proper recognition to Colonel Goethals, and all the other builders of the canal, and President-elect Wilson will have ample opportunity to select officers to operate the canal and govern the zone."

"The existing system is adapted to constructing the canal which will not be finished until Culebra ceases to slide. The new plan of government is to control the operation of the canal and the government of the zone as an adjunct and incident of the canal operation."

In conclusion Mr. Adamson states it will be fortunate if the canal through the canal can be secured in two years and adds that "President-elect Wilson will provide himself with all sufficient information in ample time for satisfactory action."

MUST MEET HIS TERMS.

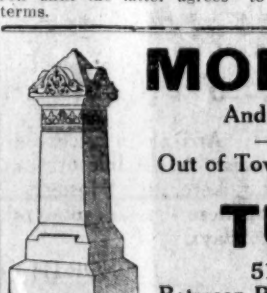
Chance Wants Largest Salary Ever Demanded by Baseball Manager.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Frank Chance will not manage the New York American League club unless he receives the salary he demands and a percentage of the club's profits. The salary, he says, is the largest ever demanded by a manager of a baseball club.

In a letter today to Charles Williams, treasurer of the Chicago Nationals, Chance gave the first authentic news of his negotiations with Frank Farrell, owner of the New York club. Chance wrote that he really intended to "retire from baseball, but since given the opportunity to manage the Highlanders, he wants enough money to make it worth while."

"I do not think I will get what I ask for," writes Chance. "My price is steep, in fact, the highest ever demanded by a manager, but I intended to quit the game and I want to make it worth while. It is a good bet, though, that I will be right out here on my ranch next season instead of on a ball field. It is paying me better than ever and I am contented. Still, should Farrell grant me what I want, the probability is that I will go."

Chance added that he would not go East to discuss the situation with Farrell until the latter agrees to his terms.



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AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Weekly Democratic Organ to Be Established in Raleigh—Ready for Inauguration—General Assembly Session

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., December 27.—The prospectus has been sent out for a Democratic State weekly to be published in Raleigh by Col. Alex. J. Feild, retired private secretary to Governor Kitchin and Editor R. F. Beasley, of the State Democrat. The prospectus is to be in charge of the publication have not been made public. It is understood that the initial number of the paper will appear early in the new year. Mr. Beasley is one of the best known newspaper editors in the State and Col. Feild has had considerable experience in newspaper work and was for a long time secretary of the State Democratic Executive Committee.

The people of Raleigh are already moving in the matter of preparations for the inauguration of Hon. Locke Craig as Governor, Mr. Alexander Webb has been designated as chairman of the citizen's committee on inaugural ceremonies, and Major J. J. Bernard is to be in charge of the entertainment of the visiting military companies, indications being that there will be an especially large number of companies here, especially from the western sections of the State.

The Raleigh aldermen have definitely refused the proposition of Wake Water Co. to sell the water plant to the city for \$250,000. The aldermen also propose to procure authority from the legislature for a \$400,000 bond issue to either buy the present water plant at a reasonable price and enlarge it to adequate proportions or establish an entirely new water plant. The present water company has nine years left of its franchise to run. The aldermen will also ask for an act of the Legislature enabling them to put in a new plant before the franchise to the Wake Water Co. terminates.

With the near approach of the 1913 session of the General Assembly Col. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, is urging decided reform in the legislative machinery. He points out that entirely too much legislation is congested into the last week or two of the session. He says that in the 1905 session more than half the legislation of the session was rushed through during the last two weeks. During the 1903 session 80 per cent was rushed through during the last twenty days, and 227 bills were rushed through the last day. In 1911 77 per cent of the bills were rushed through during the last ten days of the session. Congestion grows steadily worse each session. He wants legislators to introduce local bills early and also consolidation of the enrolling and engrossing departments in the interest of economy and accuracy.

NEW YORK POLICE GRAFT.

Resumption of Inquiry Before Aldermanic Committee in Gotham.

New York, Dec. 27.—With the resumption today of the inquiry by an aldermanic committee into New York police affairs, it was intimated that the investigation for the present would be aimed directly at police officials, who, it is alleged, have been hampering the members of the committee in the search for records at police headquarters. It was said that the investigators had found at headquarters 300 complaints of questionable resorts in connection with which it was not shown that any official action had been taken.

In the meantime, at police headquarters the trial of a policeman charged with taking protection money from a woman will be continued. Other cases of this sort are pending. A third line of investigation is being conducted by a number of prominent men and women interested in the vice problems of the city. They have called a meeting for next Sunday night, at which the proposition of holding a public mass meeting to put the questions of the city morals squarely before the public is to be discussed.

TRUST STOCK TO EMPLOYEES.

Steel Corporation Will Sell Shares on Profit-Sharing Plan.

New York, Dec. 27.—The United States Steel Corporation, pursuant to its profit-sharing plan inaugurated in 1903, will next month offer to its employees the privilege of purchasing preferred and common shares on the basis of \$109 for the preferred and \$66 for the common. A year ago the subscription prices were \$110 and \$65, respectively.

Just how much of each issue is to be allotted to employees has not been decided. In 1911 subscriptions were received from about 37,000 employees for an aggregate of 30,600 of preferred and 30,750 of common shares.

GETS GUIDE TO BURIED MONEY.

Woodchopper Finds \$500. Reward for Saving Man's Life.

Mayfield, Cal., Dec. 27.—Go to the Bald Peak and wait until the setting sun casts the shadow of the dead redwood, then dig where the shade ends. These were the directions received Christmas Day by Steve Perkins, a wood chopper. Today he is richer by \$500 because he obeyed instructions.

Twenty years ago Perkins saved the life of Nathan Comstock, an eccentric resident of Woodside. The letter of direction, posted at San Francisco by his executor and received yesterday, was written by Mr. Comstock, who died 15 years ago.

CHRISTMAS SHOOTING AFFRAY

One Death and Many Injuries Result From Turkey Shoot.

Talladega, Ala., December 27.—A shooting affray at a Christmas Day turkey shoot in the mountains of Clay county, 15 miles southwest of Talladega, resulted in the death of Caleb Lacey, the fatal injuring of Joseph Lacey, his brother and the serious wounding of John Dunn. Meagre reports allege that considerable drinking was indulged in at the contests and the fight started over a petty difference. A feud among friends and allies of the men is feared.

THE BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY.

Valuable Work Just Issued by U. S. Agricultural Department.

Washington, D. C., December 27.—The U. S. Department of Agriculture's report on the beet sugar industry of the United States in the years 1910-1911, has just been issued by Secretary Wilson in a 73-page pamphlet which contains articles on the work of the Bureau of Plant Industry on sugar beets, a general review of the beet sugar industry in the United States, the sugar beet in European agricultural economy, relation of adaptation to the improvement of sugar beet varieties for American conditions, farm practice in the Arkansas valley, Colorado, suggestion on cultural methods in the sugar beet industry and sugar statistics. It is illustrated by two maps showing areas where sugar beets are grown, location of sugar factories, rainfall and frost data, and six other plates relating to the industry.

The average American consumes 82 pounds of sugar each year—and only 10 pounds of that ration is now produced in this country. The farmers of the country should keep their money at home, other words, put it in their own pockets, and the Department of Agriculture has been trying for 16 years to show them how and induce them to do so.

Sugar is a product of manufacture mainly from the farmers' sugar cane and sugar beets. Incidentally some sugar is produced from the sap of the sugar maple—the entire product, both sugar and sirup, and the sorghum sirup, being only about \$15-20,000,000 annually, while the total value of the sugar beet and sugar cane industries of this country totaled \$117,000,000.

The cane sugar industry fared badly this year, on account of the Mississippi river flood, the entire production, including molasses and sirup, being valued at only \$24,000,000.

Beet sugar is a comparatively recent product of this country, and can scarcely be said to have existed 20 years ago. The production during the 12th census year (1899) amounted to \$1,729 short tons, while the 1912 product aggregates 700,000 short tons, valued at \$73,000,000. The growth of this industry and the plans for its increase indicate that beet-raising for sugar purposes is much desired by farmers for profit and cultural benefit to the land.

There are now in operation 66 factories in 17 States, which used during the past season 5,062,333 tons of beets produced on 473,877 acres, and the industry has become one of the mainstays and chief supports of agriculture under irrigation in the semi-arid States. Yet this industry produces practically only one-eighth of the home consumption. The importation from entirely foreign territory now approximates 2,000,000 short tons annually. A home beet sugar production sufficient to cut off this production would not affect the home cane sugar industry adversely, because that has so nearly reached its limit that any possible growth it may have from now on will not equal the annual increase in the country's consumption, which has considerably more than doubled in the past 25 years, and now is greater per capita than any other country except England.

With our present low average of 114 short tons of beet sugar per acre, it would require 1,600,000 acres to produce the 2,000,000 short tons now imported; or, as the acreage harvested the last year was slightly less than 475,000, it would need the production of 2,000,000 acres under beets to equal the entire home demand, a condition to which for more than 80 years economists have looked forward.

In the 19 States adapted to growing beets there are about 212 million farms, and 278,719,622 acres of improved land. Therefore, if every farmer in those States could cultivate 1 acre of sugar beets, the entire of the sugar from non-continuous territory would have to seek another market. Or if one farmer in four in these States would plant a 3-acre patch and give it the care that could be readily bestowed upon so small a plot, it would be unnecessary for us to buy foreign sugar. Two-thirds of 1 per cent of the improved land in the States adapted to sugar beets would accomplish this result, and more than that acreage lies idle, absolutely unused, every year. Any one of the States of Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Minnesota, Nebraska or Ohio could produce all this sugar and then have the beets come only once in a ten-year rotation; and several of the others could do it alone on a 5-year rotation. The devotion of the necessary 2,000,000 acres to the production of the sugar required for our own consumption would have an utterly insignificant effect in reducing the acreage of other crops, and, in fact, the growing of the beets would actually increase the total yields of other crops, because of the effect of the beets upon the soil, for the thorough working of the soil necessary to grow a profitable beet crop increases the yield of everything else grown on the same ground in succeeding years, and the beets need occupy the soil but one year out of ten.

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Saturday, December 28, 1912.

Don't swap your Christmas present early for something else you need.

We herein resolve that it is time to have a city plan for Wilmington.

If we were a suffragette we'd always vote against a hike during mid-winter in a State with a climate like New York's.

A married man says he got a beautiful curtain lecture on Christmas but he says he is satisfied as he got all that was coming to him.

President-elect Wilson wants the inauguration to be one of Jeffersonian simplicity. Anyhow, the crowd will want to go to Washington.

The average North Carolina editor's idea of a useful Christmas present is one that his wife can take away from him so she can keep it for sickness.

The North Carolina Legislature will convene next Wednesday week, but so far there is no indication that the suffragettes will appear for a hearing.

A bachelor maid is one who won't get married until the right fellow comes along. An old maid is a bachelor maid who has given up all idea of getting married.

Mrs. Belle Guinness, who produced a great sensation on a "murder farm" in Indiana, is said to be alive but her whereabouts are unknown. So far as we are concerned, we are not looking her up.

Those who did their Christmas shopping late had the most fun. That's where they think they have the joke on those who did their shopping early. Christmas has all sorts of good stories to it.

A judge on trial for impeachment ought not to depend upon any technicality of the law for vindication. If he is not guilty of improper conduct he ought to be able to show that his skirts are clear.

It is said that American authorities do not propose to let ex-President Castro land in New York. Our idea of it is that the police, the gunmen and their collectors, haven't left anything worth landing in New York.

Money won't talk for you unless you deposit it in the savings bank. There it earns interest for you while you work and while you sleep. Money on deposit puts in twenty-four hours' work each day, not even excepting Sunday.

The New York World records the \$684,899 defalcation of a trustee who indulged in speculations on Wall Street. The best trustee is a strong trust company that administers estates and is not interested in speculations.

New York will issue bonds to construct municipal piers and a belt line railroad at a cost of \$150,000,000. Besides protecting New York's commerce, those municipal utilities ought to provide the revenue to pay the interest and principal of these bonds.

The United States government is making inquiry of the various counties in each State as to the number of miles of modern rural highways in the country. Those counties which will have "none" as their answer will stand in a sort of black list.

After some cities get a commission form of government they are not satisfied with their commissioners. If the citizens of a city pay as much attention to the selection of their officials as they do to the form of their government, most any old form would prove satisfactory.

RAILROAD BUILDING IN THE SOUTH.

More than 2,000 miles of railroad were built in the South during 1912, according to an interesting article and summary of projects, furnished to the Manufacturers' Record by Mr. Samuel J. Wilmer. North Carolina is credited with 149.6 miles built in 1912, with 330 miles projected in this State during the coming year.

The new mileage for the entire South during this year was 2,026.7, as follows: Alabama 151.1 miles; Arkansas, 80; Florida, 164.7; Georgia, 138.3; Kentucky, 125; Louisiana, 75; Maryland, 5.5; Mississippi, 53.6; Missouri, 89.4; North Carolina, 149.6; Oklahoma, 221; South Carolina, 171; Tennessee, 73; Texas, 348.1; Virginia, 8.3; West Virginia, 103.1. It will be noticed that Texas led with 348.1 miles, and the prospect is that she will build about one-fourth the South's mileage in 1913, as she has 947.1 miles of road projected for the coming year. North Carolina comes next in projected lines, with 330 miles set down as her probable construction. Altogether, it is estimated that the South will build 2,108.5 miles of railroad during the next twelve months. From Mr. Wilmer's article we take the following, as of immediate interest in this part of the South Atlantic:

"One of the largest pieces of work completed during the year was the Louisville & Nashville extension of its Lexington & Eastern Railway to the Consolidation Coal Co.'s operations in the eastern part of Kentucky, and in this connection it may be remarked that the Consolidation company contemplates a connection between its Sandy Valley & Elkhorn Railway and the Louisville & Nashville line, which will require the construction of several miles through the mountains between Jenkins and McRoberts, Ky. The Louisville & Nashville will also build much new track on its Lexington & Northern Railroad between Nashville, Tenn., and Athens, Ala. The Atlantic Coast Line has built some new line in Florida this year, and is now engaged on a connection which will give it a west coast route between Dunsen and Old Town, Fla., and it is also expected to complete a connection between Perry and Monticello, Fla., which will be a part of the same route.

"In Virginia the Clinchfield Railway has construction under full swing on its connection from Dante to Elkhorn City, Ky., where it will meet the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway. This work is very heavy, and may not be finished in 1913, although it is aimed to complete it. The Chesapeake & Ohio has built about 60 miles of branches and extensions of existing branches during 1912 in West Virginia, this being for the development of coal traffic. In South Carolina one of the feeders of the Seaboard Air Line, the North & South Carolina Railroad, has extended south to the Great Pee Dee river at Allison's, and has connected there with the Georgetown & Western Railway, which built an extension from Andrews up to that point. The South Carolina Western Railway, also a Seaboard feeder, has extended south to Sumter, S. C.

"Considerable progress has been made toward the completion of the system of interurban electric railways planned by the Duke interests in North and South Carolina. Some 20 miles of line are now constructed and in operation between Charlotte and Gastonia, N. C., while 60 miles have been finished and are now in use between Greenville, Belton and Greenwood, S. C., with the existing branch from Belton to Anderson. The company is completing its lines from Greenville to Spartanburg, S. C., and it is expected that the next step will be to build from there to Gastonia. North Carolina it is contemplated to extend from Charlotte via Concord, Salisbury and Greensboro to Durham. The Norfolk Southern is also busy with its western extension in North Carolina, and may complete it in 1913, which will give the system 53 miles more of track from Mt. Gilead to Charlotte."

As a port, the city of Wilmington is specially interested in every mile of railroad built in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee. The new lines but add links in a network of railroads covering a territory from which this port ultimately must draw commerce and do a certain amount of jobbing business. Increased facilities continue to open up new territory and give new opportunities. The new mileage right close in to Wilmington is specially advantageous for distributing purposes, and with the new road to Southport paralleling our ocean channel from Wilmington to Southport, and other lines built in strictly Wilmington territory, this city has fared very well in the South's railroad construction during the past year.

The interurban system of railways in North Carolina and South Carolina already constructed, or to be constructed, ought to be advantageous to Wilmington, as the system will be a series of competing lines, evidently sooner or later to bring about the readjustment of freight rates into certain territory. At any rate, the whole of central North Carolina will experience a great change on account of the electric lines.

However, it is in lines from the west to the east, and from the east to the west, that North Carolina is most interested in during the near future. Wilmington wants a Western connection, and we understand that there is a prospect of getting it through the South Atlantic Trans-Continental which is being promoted by Col. S. A. Jones and associates, of Waynesville. We understand that work is being done on a part of this line and that it will cross the mountains from Rutherfordton, North Carolina, to Knoxville,

Tennessee, opening up the coal region of the latter State to the port of Wilmington and Southport.

The Norfolk Southern's line from the east to the west, with Charlotte as the objective, is bound to be a line of vast importance to the State. It will greatly enlarge the railroad distribution of the State, and that extended system will be of special advantages to central North Carolina. Wilmington should bask herself for a western connection, for it is the lines that are to run from the west to the South Atlantic ports that will do most for their commercial and industrial development.

BUNCOING NEWSPAPERS.

We thought the time would come sooner or later that newspaper publishers would have to decide between news and legitimate publicity, and the publicity that is purely promotive and exploitive. There is a certain amount of publicity that is really valuable and desirable from a news standpoint, but we have realized for some time that some of the publicity agents of certain cities and sections were overdoing it by taking up valuable space with matter adroitly written to conceal its purpose to advertise. The Northern papers seem disposed to draw the line, and especially the papers in cities that are competitors of their own. Thus, we find the Chester (Pa.) Republican laying down the law concerning publicity for its neighbor, Wilmington, Del.

"The Wilmington Evening Journal boasts of the purpose of that city's Chamber of Commerce business manager, R. J. Maclean, to obtain columns of 'free and desirable advertising' in papers to which he has sent circulars announcing conventions of the 'Horticultural' and 'Corn Growers' Associations. The Morning Republican has seen one of these circulars of superlative nerve-asking newspapers to give free advertising to these Wilmington or Delaware enterprises. Newspapers are at all times to the forefront in contributing to 'public movements' for a community's welfare. But the modern press agent's innovation of surreptitiously seeking free publicity of matter in the interest of railroad and other corporations of a private character is not creditable to those who thus endeavor to impose on publishers. Everything pertaining to the printing of newspapers costs money—for editors, reporters, type-setters, pressmen, clerks, etc. And the proprietors of papers must personally assume these expenses. Yet the heads of corporations and other business pursuits are today exercising 'press agents' in schemes to coerce publishers into giving free publicity to the private money-making enterprises. It may be an honest pursuit—but it is palpably cheap ethics that permits begging valuable service for enterprises that charge full price for all they do in the commercial world."

We are not disposed to agree altogether with the Pennsylvania paper about refusing to give publicity to a neighboring city's horticultural and corn growing exhibits, for it depends altogether how many of a newspaper's readers are really interested in such enterprises and as to what the general purpose is to promote horticulture and agriculture without regard to locality. Nevertheless, the Republican is aiming at the right thing in a general way, but great care will have to be exercised that legitimate things may not suffer on account of the purely promotive matter sent out by publicity men.

While articles recording actual developments carry a certain amount of publicity, they also contain valuable news, if there is no exaggeration and attempt to spread it on too thick. The actual progress being made by a city is news that may stimulate our own city to action, for when we see what other cities are doing, it is a warning to us that we had better get busy. For instance, we may have some horticultural and corn growers' exhibits ourselves, or we may take note of another city's industrial development in order to stir up the home folks to greater efforts.

The Star is glad to give publicity to the actual progress of other cities, and especially to the developments in its own territory, but the kind of publicity that is tiring the papers is purely that kind that is sent out to save an advertising bill. It is needless to recall the fact that promoters of land projects and immigration in Western Canada a few years ago pulled American papers for thousands of dollars worth of advertising sent out as news articles. They not only got advertising free, but they seduced many a sturdy American to pull up pegs and move to Canada. When the South sees a cold country like Canada attracting good people it is time for us to start a competitive movement attracting Americans to the much greater opportunities they have in the Sunny South where lands are fertile and production is remunerative.

PREPARING FOR PANAMA

While we are trying to find out what our own opportunities and facilities for commerce are, and should be making a study of them in view of the possibilities to be created by the Panama canal, we also have to make a study of the trade needs of the countries with which we hope to do business. An intelligent understanding of our opportunities from every point of view can be had only from investigation and by gaining the knowledge that will make us recognize our op-

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The credit for the victory will belong to the women of the country.

Home cooking has the backing of science and the approval of fashion. It adds to housekeeping a pride; to our food, healthfulness.

It is acknowledged by experts, and by the women who know, that the best cooking in the world to-day is with the aid of Royal Baking Powder.

opportunities as to export and import trade.

Charleston seems to be in earnest about developments in view of the canal, and during the coming year a delegation of her leading merchants and business men are going to take a trip to several South American countries. In fact, the great activity of American cities, North and South shows that something has to be done to get in the game with them. Along that line, the Baltimore Sun throws out this hint to its city:

"A delegation of Boston business men will next year make a tour through South America to investigate trade opportunities and get in touch with business men in Philadelphia \$2,000,000 is to be spent in enlarging the big Cramp shipyards to build vessels which will ply through Panama. Charles L. Chandler, of the Panama American Union, points out that South America is buying every year from Europe \$600,000,000 worth of goods most of which could be supplied by the United States, which now gets but a small share of the trade. Atlantic and Pacific coast cities are preparing in various ways to enter the rich field which will be opened by the completion of the canal. What is Baltimore doing to capture its share of the South American trade?"

The question with all our ports is just what to do, and some of them are going about it with a determination to find out.

A Virginian who predicts that the world will come to an end in 1913, has been arrested for being nutty. The Third Termer and 3,228,149 voters who were under the hallucination that they were "standing at Armageddon," had better look. There were too many of them to get arrested.

Start the New Year right by resolving not to walk on a railroad track.

CURRENT COMMENT.

It is bad to have a big surplus as Cleveland had to deal with, or a big deficit as the North Carolina legislators must face. Between the two evils, a surplus is the easiest to handle. There are folks who do not reckon on surplus of money as an evil, but Cleveland did, and he was a big man.—Raleigh News and Observer.

More than 1,000 citizens of Winston and Salem have signed the petition to be presented to the General Assembly asking for the consolidation of those two good cities. It is very evident that the great preponderance of sentiment favors consolidation, and there is no doubt but that the wedding ceremony will take place within a very few weeks after the Legislature gets down to business.—Charlotte Chronicle.

A newspaper paragraph is going the rounds telling of a "novel experiment" which the Prussian authorities are about to make. They are to open a woman's prison, managed wholly by women. But there is nothing "novel" about that. Massachusetts has had just such a prison for more than 30 years. All its affairs are in the hands of women—the business management, the discipline, the labor—in fact, everything about the institution. And it has been successful, ranking as one of the best prisons in the country. For two or three years, however, the word "prison" has been eliminated from its title and it is known as the reformatory.—Boston Transcript.

Few people realize how rapidly the poultry industry has grown in this section during the past few years. There are quite a number of well operated and successful poultry farms near Charlotte and many fanciers are making excellent money from their stock. As much as \$50 and even \$100

is frequently received for a single bird raised by local breeders, while eggs for setting are in large demand at good prices. And then poultry keepers who cater only to the commercial trade are doing well also, receiving a bonus for eggs that are guaranteed to be only a few days old and selling broilers in the Spring from incubator chicks at a handsome profit.—Charlotte Chronicle.

The Observer can give its endorsement to the sentiments expressed by the Duplin Enterprise in a recent reference to Judge O. H. Allen, of the North Carolina Superior Court bench. This jurist, as The Enterprise says, has made a reputation on the bench "in behalf of Houses of Correction and in doing so he has been a friend to youthful criminals and women criminals. He has made the causes of crime a study and we have heard him from the bench speak eloquently and touchingly on neglected childhood. Up in the mountains Judge Allen lectures to the people and appeals to their best side, and when down home he does the same thing. He acts in a way, like a minister trying to help the weak. It is justice tempered with mercy in his court." It is popular in certain circles to exploit a judge as one "to be feared," this on account of the known merciless way in which he is accustomed to deal with unfortunates, but Judge Allen is not of this sort. Yet he accomplishes as good results as the best of them—better results in many instances, perhaps, because of the making of good citizens, where otherwise a hardened criminal might have been the result. In advocating the House of Correction he has pointed out the right line of procedure by the State in handling the so-called problem of the criminal courts. The solution is in the helping hand, rather than the flaming sword which the judges that are "feared" are wont to flash.—Charlotte Observer.

TREATY WITH CUBA

United States Secures Land at Guantanamo Naval Station. Havana, Cuba, December 27.—Arthur M. Beaupre, the United States minister, and Manuel Sangullity, the Cuban Secretary of State, today signed a treaty providing for the addition by lease of a considerable tract of land to the American naval station at Guantanamo. The land is needed principally for its water supply.

In return for it, the United States government surrenders its claim to a site for a naval station at Bahia Honda on the north coast of Cuba, 55 miles southwest of Havana. The American government has never occupied this place. The treaty signed today will now be sent to the Cuban and American Senates for ratification.

Washington, December 27.—During January and February, the gunboat Wheeling, now at Savannah, Ga., will visit a number of Southern ports. Her itinerary has been arranged as follows: Leave Savannah January 5th; Jacksonville, Fla., January 6th to 16th; Key West, January 18th to 21st; Mobile, Ala., January 24th to February 6th; New Orleans, February 7th to 19th; Galveston, Texas, February 21st to await orders.



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lets you think clearly—gets at the cause—heat, cold, nervousness or grip.
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Merry Christmas, Indeed



is in the home illuminated with light from such beautiful and convenient fixtures as are to be had here. The beautiful soft light they give, the atmosphere of brightness and cheerfulness are well worth more than such fixtures cost here. Just come and see them. That's all. A full line of nice portables, socket lights, toy motors and electric engines, electric irons, and stoves, all the above articles mentioned make useful Christmas presents. Store will be open to 10 o'clock through the holidays.

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'Phone 573.

123 Market Street.

A Merry Christmas

With hearty greetings for all, we wish each and every one a Bright and Happy Christmas.

Home Savings Bank

115 NO. FRONT ST. ORTON BLDG.

WAS ASSAULTED AND ROBBED

Mr. David Reid Williams, of Wilmington, victim of "Gopher Gang" in New York—Jaw Bone Broken and Money Stolen.

Press dispatches received here yesterday and last night brought the news to many friends that Mr. David Reid Williams, of this city, had been violently assaulted and robbed in the city of New York at an early hour yesterday morning, having been picked up in an unconscious condition in the streets where he was taken to the police station, revived and later sent to Bellevue Hospital.

Mr. Williams left Wilmington a few days before Christmas on the Clyde steamer and was a guest at the Hotel Navarre, where he had often stopped. It is stated that he would probably again take up his residence in New York, where he formerly resided. Mr. Williams was attacked by several men at 36th street and 11th avenue. He was beaten insensibly with black-jacks and then his assailants robbed him of his gold watch and chain and about \$200 in money. He was found unconscious in the street by a patrolman and was sent to the station house in an ambulance. After being revived at the station Mr. Williams at first gave his name as "Samuel H. Jones," doubtless wishing to avoid publicity as much as possible, but later upon being sent to the hospital gave his correct name and told the attendants that his best friend in New York was Mr. A. B. Gwathmey, for years a prominent member of the New York Cotton Exchange, now retired, and a relative of Mr. Williams. Mr. Williams stated that he had been walking in 36th street and as he reached 11th avenue several men sprang at him. He saw two of the number, but thought there were others. Before he had any chance to offer resistance the men struck him down with a blackjack and he knew nothing until he was revived at the station. It was stated in the press dispatches that his jaw was broken on both sides and that there was a possibility that he might have a fractured skull. Mr. Gwathmey hurried to the assistance of Mr. Williams, who is a relative of his wife and other relatives in New York also did what they could for him. The assault occurred in the theatre district of the city and is believed to have been the work of professional thugs.

Many friends of Mr. Williams here and in Fayetteville will regret exceedingly to learn of his injury but will be glad to know that several telegrams received yesterday did not indicate that his injuries were as serious as stated in the press dispatches. These telegrams stated that he was not seriously injured and that his chief wound was the broken jaw. Mr. A. B. Gwathmey, the relative mentioned in the press dispatches, is well known in this state, where he has often visited. His house maintains an office in Wilmington. The latest messages from the hospital indicated that he was resting comfortably and will probably be out again in a short time.

RESIDENCE AND STORE BURNED.

Mr. George H. Rogers, of Sea Gate, Suffered Loss of Property.

Fire yesterday about noon completely destroyed the large frame store and dwelling of Mr. George H. Rogers, of Sea Gate, on the suburban line of the Tidewater Power Co., at Greenville station. There was no insurance on the property and the loss is estimated at from \$2,500 to \$3,000. The post-office at Sea Gate is located in the store and dwelling and many of the effects of the office were destroyed.

From what can be learned the fire either started from some children playing with fireworks on the second floor or from some kerosene that had been used in starting a fire on the second floor. The building burned rapidly and only a small part of the contents of the building was saved and much of that was in badly damaged condition. There is no fire fighting apparatus at Sea Gate but men in the neighborhood worked heroically and succeeded in saving the property of the Salvation Army closely adjoining and what of the contents of the building could be gotten out. Fire Truck No. 2, from Wilmington, responded to a telephone call, but did not arrive until after the blaze had subsided.

Mr. Rogers had only recently built the store and residence at Sea Gate and much sympathy is expressed for him. It was one of the best buildings at Sea Gate and Mr. Rogers had built up a splendid business there. It is expected that he will rebuild as early as possible.

The citizens of the village desire to express publicly their sincere thanks to the Wilmington Fire Department for responding to their call with one of the motor driven fire trucks. When the call for aid was given it was feared that the home of Adjutant Matkass, of the Salvation Army, would catch fire from sparks from the burning building, but fortunately this was saved and no other property was endangered on account of the course of the wind.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for Services Tomorrow.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, D. D., pastor; Rev. H. Wm. Keeling, assistant pastor—Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. W. C. E. Society at 7:15 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. Communion at morning service. The public cordially invited—seats free.

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. John M. Wells, D. D., pastor—Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M., conducted by the pastor. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Christian Endeavor Society at 7:15 P. M. Midweek prayer service Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Visitors cordially invited to all services.

Wrightsboro Bethany Presbyterian church—Sabbath services at 11 A. M., conducted by Rev. Andrew J. Howell. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M.

SCHOONER SAVANNAH WRECKED

Vessel Driven Ashore on Frying Pan Is Perhaps Total Loss—Captain and Crew Rescued by Life Savers Last Night

Their vessel pounding to pieces beneath them on the treacherous Frying Pan shoals, exposed to a biting cold that struck through and through them in the face of a fierce gale that was sweeping the coast, Capt. Gould and crew of the schooner Savannah, 496 tons, Jacksonville, Fla., bound north with cargo of lumber, were rescued from the rigging of their ship early last night by the life savers of the Oak Island and Cape Fear stations and were safely landed at Southport. The vessel is reported to have broken in two and will perhaps be a total loss.

While the life savers were battling with the sea and wind in their effort to save human life on the schooner, it is supposed that during the night both the revenue cutter Seminole, from Lookout Cove, and the Yamacraw, from Savannah, Ga., were steaming with all possible haste to the rescue of the vessel as the indications were early in the night that neither the local tug boats, nor the life savers would be able to reach the schooner and that unless the storm subsided the men would hardly be able to survive the night. The Seminole had only yesterday morning, after a fearful battle, reached Lookout with the British steamer Alcazar and it was reported that she had broken her steering gear. News of the grounding of an unknown schooner on Frying Pan reached Messrs. Maffitt & Wood, the marine agents here, yesterday afternoon and at once local tug boats were advised of the plight of the vessel and efforts were made to get in communication with the Seminole. Later it was learned that the Seminole, in command of Lieut. Covell, was disabled and efforts were made to get the Yamacraw from the Savannah station to proceed to the wreck. It is thought likely that she steamed from Savannah in response to wireless advice early in the night and may reach Frying Pan this morning. A little later word came from the wireless station at Beaufort that the cutter Seminole had steamed from Lookout Cove south and the presumption is that after completing temporary repairs, she had received wireless advice of the schooner on Frying Pan and was hastening with all dispatch to her assistance.

Meantime, local tugs hastened to Southport and the Capt. Gould, who was expected to go out yesterday afternoon, but the gale had so increased in intensity that she could not proceed to sea. The crews of both the Oak Island and the Cape Fear life saving stations, however, were able to leave for the unknown vessel from the eastern side and they put out yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock. The position of the vessel was about seven miles south from Cape Fear lightship, right on the Frying Pan shoals. At 9 o'clock the life savers had not returned to Southport and it was feared that they had not been able to effect a rescue of the crew but at 10 o'clock last night Capt. W. A. Stedler received a long distance telephone message that the life savers had returned and that the captain and crew had been saved. It was not until then that the vessel had been identified and it was stated that she had broken in two and would perhaps be a total loss. The tug Castor will make another effort to reach her this morning with the statement of the storm which seemed to have let in about midnight.

The Savannah is the second vessel to meet disaster off this coast during the severe storms of this week and it is expected that after the severe blow of last night other marine casualties will be reported. The schooner, owned by P. Poole and Edith H. Symington, both bound to Wilmington, are reported overdue and hope is expressed that they have been able to ride out the storm in safety. The wreck of the Savannah closely follows the abandonment of the British steamer Alcazar, the captain and crew of which were brought into Wilmington on Christmas morning. Regarding this vessel, the following Associated Press dispatch was received last night:

Savannah, Ga., December 27.—The steamship Merrimack, of the Merchants' and Miners' Line, reached port this morning, bound from Baltimore to Jacksonville, via Savannah, bringing the first complete story of the saving of the British steamer Alcazar, abandoned by her crew off the North Carolina coast.

The Merrimack was called to the aid of the steamer by the Dorchester of the same line. The latter vessel had been unable to save the Alcazar on Christmas morning at 2 o'clock the stranded vessel was reached and after many hours' work was successfully manned by a crew from the Merrimack.

Later the Dorchester and the revenue cutter Seminole were left in charge of the vessel and carried her to safety.

Washington, December 27.—After a perilous fight in a heavy sea the revenue cutter Seminole today towed the abandoned British steamer Alcazar in to Lookout Cove, N. C. The revenue cutter broke its steering gear in the struggle.

Pretty New Year Calendar.
One of the handsome calendars for the New Year is being sent out by Messrs. W. Munroe & Co., furniture and house furnishings, 15 South Front street. The art piece is "So Near and Yet So Far," from the original painting by Harold M. Brett. It is the pretty story of a comfortable, cozy home, a young father and young mother in love with one another and a chubby little youngster to keep things interesting. The calendar is really a work of art.

Famous Stage Beauties.
Look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Itches, Sores or Pimples. They don't have them, nor will any one, who uses Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glories the face, Eczema and salt rheum vanish before it. It cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains, heels, burns, cuts and bruises. Unequalled for piles. Only 25c at R. R. Bellamy, (Advertisement.)

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES HELD

Entertainments Given Last Night by The Sunday Schools of Several Churches—Santa Claus Distributed Presents

Christmas entertainments were held last night by the Sunday schools of several churches. All were largely attended and proved of great interest, especially to the children, who received gifts from old Santa Claus. Entertainments were held at Grace Methodist, St. John's Episcopal, First Presbyterian, St. Andrew's and Immanuel Presbyterian churches and possibly at one or two other churches.

There were two features of the entertainment at Grace church. A Christmas tree was held for the primary department, each child receiving some gift, while the older members carried groceries, fruits, candies, etc., which were to be sent to the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh. A goodly supply of groceries, fruits, etc., was received and in the lot was a case of tea which came direct from China. It was given by Sam Lee, the well-known Chinaman. Rev. J. D. Bundy, pastor of the church, made a very interesting and appropriate talk.

The Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church held its entertainment in the Chadsbourn Memorial Hall, which was very attractively decorated. The Christmas tree was laden with boxes of candy, fruits, etc., for the children. A very interesting programme was rendered. Santa Claus was very cleverly impersonated by Capt. W. P. Monroe. He was introduced by little Miss Helen Bright and then made his way to the Christmas tree through a wide improvised fire-place. The programme included two solos by Mrs. Mattie Longfellow, recitations by Willie T. Coyle, Nancy Bowman, Gertrude Brown, Clark Higgins, Mary Thomas, songs by a quartette composed of Messrs. George Lively, Richard Southerland, James Wells, John Wells and Will Shaw, and recitations by several classes of small children. Mr. W. M. Cumming, superintendent of the Sunday school, presided. The event was greatly enjoyed by all present.

A large crowd attended the entertainment of St. John's Episcopal church Sunday school. The first thing on the programme was a visible representation of the birth of Christ. The outfit was secured by Miss Eliza Meares while in Europe some time ago. It was arranged on a table and all in the congregation were given an opportunity to view and hear the explanation given by Miss Meares. Next were shown lantern slides illustrating the birth of Christ with explanations by Rev. W. E. Cox, rector of the church. Scenes of old Santa Claus were also shown with the lanterns. Santa Claus then made his appearance. Both Kris Kringle and his assistant were laden with things for the children. The concluding feature of the entertainment was the distribution of the presents. As the congregation filed out each child was given a lighted "sparkle" at the door. The effect was very pretty.

One of the most interesting Christmas entertainments ever given at Immanuel Presbyterian church was the one given last night in the auditorium of the new building at corner of Front and Queen streets. The spacious and attractive hall, which was beautifully decorated, was filled by a large and appreciative audience, and the closest attention was given while an interesting programme was rendered.

Mr. R. W. Hicks was master of ceremonies. The entertainment was opened with a short talk by Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of the church. Next there was a "Christmas Greeting" by Annie May Quinn, followed by a song by the primary department, given in music on guitar and mandolin by G. Hicks and W. Shaw. "A. B. C.'s," Annie Walton and Dorothy Darden; recitation, "A Word to Santa Claus," Lela Hawkins; "Little Star," by Ruth Matthews, Catherine Griffith, Annie Walton; Christmas song, by New Ideal Club; music; recitation, "How to Cook a Hushbab," Anna Kermont; con songs, William Shaw; recitation, "An Episode," Louise Singletary; recitation, "Polly's Discovery," Edna Holden; music, by Miss Florie McIntire; song, by the little Bordenes; closing remarks, by Joseph W. Little, Esq., superintendent of the Sunday school. Old Santa Claus presented fruit and candy to all the children of the Sunday school. A play was presented with the following taking part: Robert Kermont, Vina Wolff, Willie Boykin, Simon Branch, Myrtle Mahan, George Hardwick, Annie Wolff, Christine Greenberg, George Mitchell, Myrtle D'Orange, Nettie Hannah, Alma Kermont, Louise Singletary, Earl Mintz, Charlie Kennedy, Tylon Kermont, Edgar Paul, Mary Stubbs, Isabel Yopp, Leola Griffith.

In his remarks Mr. Little voiced the sentiment of the entire audience in giving a vote of thanks to Miss Annie Worth and those who so kindly assisted her in getting up the entertainment. A vote of thanks also was given to Mr. Robert Kermont, the electrician, for his important part, and to all others who contributed to the success of the entertainment.

The exercises at St. Andrew's were like the others, largely attended and of a most interesting nature.

BIG TIME FOR U. C. T.'S.

Meeting This Afternoon to be Followed by Oyster Roast.

Members of Cape Fear Council, No. 374, United Commercial Travelers, have been looking forward with much interest to the special meeting to be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon followed by an oyster roast at the Light-house, Wrightsville Sound. At the meeting this afternoon a large class of candidates will be initiated. The traveling men will then go to Front and Princess streets, where they will board a special car for the Sound. It is expected that the attendance at the meeting as well as at the oyster roast will be large.

Malaria Makes Pale Blood.
The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out malaria and builds up the system. For grown men and children, 50c. (Advertisement.)

Regular Interest Quarter

January 2nd

Your money deposited with this bank on or before Jan. 2nd will draw interest from Jan. 1st, and you will receive a full quarter's interest April 1st. Start the New Year with a savings account, and let the interest that we pay you assist you in 1913.

SAFEST FOR SAVINGS

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

PROPOSED BILLS DISCUSSED

County Commissioners Consider Several Measures Legislature May be Asked to Pass—Action on Other Matters.

In special session for two hours and a half yesterday afternoon, the Board of County Commissioners discussed several proposed bills that the approaching Legislature may be asked to pass, chief among which is one providing for \$100,000 bond issue for permanent road improvements; appropriated a sum for a second hookworm campaign in this county to be conducted under the auspices of the State Hookworm Commission; fixed the salary of the superintendent of the county home and farm and defined his duties; authorized the chairman of the committees on the jail and the Court House to give out contracts for connecting these buildings with the city sewerage system, and transacted other business of more or less interest.

Chairman Willard presided and all members were in attendance. Deputy Register of Deeds Horn kept a record of the proceedings. The county attorney, Bellamy & Bellamy, were also in attendance. Commissioner Metts reported that after an investigation he would recommend that the valuation of the property of Martha Jane Evans, on Seventh street, between Dawson and Wright, remain as at present. His recommendation was adopted. Valuation of the property of Amos Smith, in Harnett township, was reduced from \$500 to \$350. Tax on a piece of property listed at \$700 against Mr. C. C. Chadbourne was not returned, the property being owned and listed by another person. Bellamy & Bellamy reported that they had taken up with the fidelity & development Co., the matter of the bill of \$275 for hauling rock over the county's railroad to Sunset Park and that the company claimed that the amount charged, \$4 a car, was excessive. The attorneys were instructed to bring suit at once for the collection of the whole amount. The attorneys also reported on a bill held against the American Acropoline Co. of \$40 for labor for digging some ditches at the hangar on the Castle Haynes road. They stated that the company was insolvent and had no effects worth anything.

The chairman read a letter from Dr. J. A. Ferrell, secretary of the North Carolina Hookworm Commission, in which he referred to the work done in this county some months ago toward the eradication of hookworm disease, and inquired if a second campaign of six weeks could be conducted in this county, stating that the county would not be called upon to appropriate more than \$250. Members of the board were warmly in favor of a second hookworm campaign and authorized the chairman to make arrangements with the commission to send its representatives here. For the first campaign \$350 was appropriated, but only \$250 was used, the balance being returned to the county. A portion of the expense of the work is borne by the Rockefeller Hookworm Commission.

The matter of employing a court stenographer for the year was left with Chairman Willard with power to act. Mr. Meares Harris has the contract at present and it is likely that it will be renewed. Chairman Metts, chairman of the Court House committee, reported on what work would be necessary to disconnect the jail and Court House with Jacob's Run and connect them with the city sewerage system. Several plumbers have already submitted bids, but these have not yet been opened, as it is desired to receive proposals from the other plumbers before going into the matter. The chairman of the jail and Court House committees were given power to act in the award of the contracts.

Chairman McGirt, of the county home building committee, reported the purchase of some additional equipment needed at the home. Chairman Kermont, of the county home and farm committee, recommended that at least two cows be purchased for the county home so as to supply milk for the inmates of the institution. The cows on the farm now belong to the retiring superintendent. Commissioner Kerr was authorized to buy one or two cows as in his judgment he thinks best.

For the first time in years the county farm this year has shown a profit. As a rule, there is a deficit. Last year the county just about broke even. According to the estimate made a few weeks ago by Commissioner Kerr and reported at the meeting yesterday the county farm this year shows a profit of \$1,220. Chairman Willard was authorized to look up the contract with Mr. Blake, the retiring superintendent of the home and farm, and make a settlement with him. The following was offered by Commissioner Metts and adopted: "That the salary of Mr. R. H. Ras-

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berry, as superintendent and manager of the county home and farm be \$75 a month and that the duties of said superintendent be the management and supervision of said home and farm and custody and control of all prisoners sent to said farm under control of the Commissioners and subject to their direction and, further, it shall be his duty to do and perform any and all acts and things connected with his said position as may from time to time be prescribed and required by this board."

Chairman Willard remarked that the auditors have finished the audit of the books of the Recorder's court and asked if the board desired to hear a report of this now or wait until the entire work had been completed. Members of the board thought it best to wait and receive the entire report at one time.

Chairman Yopp, of the Oak Grove cemetery committee, was authorized to buy a gate for the cemetery fence, it appearing that the order for a gate given by the old board was never sent off.

Mar-den Bellamy, Esq., who will represent this district in the next General Assembly as Senator, stated that he had noticed from the financial report that the permanent road fund is acting very low and that it was evident that if the road work was to be continued it would be necessary to have another bond issue. He asked for an expression from the board as to whether they desired him to introduce in the Legislature a bill giving them authority to call a bond election in the event they find it necessary to continue the road building. He suggested that the issue be for \$100,000 rather than for \$50,000 the amount

usually voted on in this county. By voting for the larger amount it would not be necessary to go before the voters of the county so often for a bond issue. The Commissioners expressed themselves in favor of the proposed bill and it will be introduced by Mr. Bellamy.

The present bonded indebtedness of the county amounts to only \$207,800. Of this amount \$200,000 is for permanent roads and the balance, \$7,800, is the balance due on an old issue of \$50,000 for the Court House.

Chairman Willard said he would like a bill passed by the Legislature giving the County Commissioners of New Hanover the right to adopt what is known as the "honor system" for the convicts worked on the roads. The chief feature of the system is that for good behavior the prisoners get so much off of their sentence. It is an incentive for them to work harder and to conduct themselves better than under the present plan. Mr. Bellamy was heartily in favor of the plan and he will no doubt draft a bill and introduce it in the Legislature.

Upon motion the chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of two with himself as ex-officio chairman, to confer with Senator-elect Bellamy and Representative Woodus Kelly some time within the next ten days relative to the proposition to place the county officers on a salary basis. The suggestion that such a conference be held was made by Senator-elect Bellamy. Chairman Willard named Commissioners Metts and McGirt as the two members of the committee. The conference will probably be held one night next week. Commissioner McGirt said that inasmuch as the auditors had found that

there was \$5,000 uncollected costs on the books of the Recorder's court that it appeared to him that the bond of the clerk of the court should be increased. The present bond is \$1,500 and is fixed by statute, therefore the Commissioners could not take action on the matter. There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 5:30 o'clock.

FUNERAL OF MR. HEWLETT

Impressive Services From Residence Of His Mother—Interment

In spite of the very inclement weather a large number of friends gathered at 10 o'clock yesterday morning at the residence of Mrs. Martha S. Hewlett, No. 303 South Fifth street, to pay a last and mark of respect to the late Mr. Robert A. Hewlett, whose death in Memphis, Tenn., last Monday was such a shock to the family and friends in this city. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. T. Adams, pastor of Fifth Street M. E. church, and the funeral hymns were very prettily rendered by a special choir. The floral tributes were many and very pretty.

The interment was in the Hewlett burying ground on Masonboro Sound, where the services were concluded. The pallbearers were Messrs. Clarence Mattingly, J. W. Fleet, W. A. McGowan and Percy W. Wells. Mrs. Hewlett, who accompanied the remains to Wilmington, will remain here for several days, the guest of friends and relatives of her late husband.

Special Music at The Grand.
Hear the special program by the orchestra and the song by Mr. Chick today. (Advertisement.)

Now Is the Time To Buy Toys

GAYLORD has filled all his wholesale orders. What is left on hand will be sold Monday and Tuesday to the retail trade at wholesale prices.

Cut Prices on All Fancy and Toilet Articles, Bronze, Brass and Silvered Ornaments. In fact we are going to have a general CLEANING UP of All Christmas Goods on Monday and Tuesday.

LOW PRICES WILL DO IT. Come to the Feast.

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SOCIETY

Miss Margaret Grandy, of Norfolk, Va., is the guest of Miss Sallie Wright.

Miss M. Louise Ferguson, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of Mrs. James Owen Reilly, No. 212 Nun street.

Miss Atha Hicks is home from Roanoke, Va., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hicks.

Misses Marion and Sadie Yopp, of Augusta, Ga., are the guests of Miss Minnie C. Davis, No. 315 North Seventh street.

Cyrus D. Hogue, Esq., returned last night from Baltimore, Md., where he spent Christmas with his brother, Rev. R. W. Hogue.

Miss Elizabeth Johnson, of Raleigh, is the guest of Miss Janie Meares, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Iredell Meares, corner Third and Church streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Blumenthal, of Philadelphia, Pa., are spending the holidays at the home of Mrs. Blumenthal's mother, Mrs. Barbara Bear, 129 North Fifth street.

Miss Kate Strange, of Rutherford, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. R. H. Northrop. Before returning home she will spend some time as the guest of Miss Helix Strange.

A party of young people went to Ashton last night to attend a Christmas entertainment given by Miss Sidney at the home of her father there. The returned on the late train. In the party were: Miss Minnie C. Davis and her house guests, Misses Marion and Sadie Yopp, of Augusta, Ga.; Miss Eva Cole, Messrs. George Bowdoin, Walter Davis and Mr. J. R. B. Cornell, of Canada, who is a medical student at a college in Richmond.

Mrs. G. Herbert Smith was hostess at an after-Christmas supper Friday night, following the annual holiday dance of L'Artiste German Club. Those invited were Miss Kate Strange, of Rutherford, N. J., and Mr. Robert W. Strange; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Skelding; Mrs. Jessie Kenan Wise, and Mr. Thomas H. Wright; Miss Kate Northrop, Mr. Robert Strange, Jr.; Miss Louise Smallbones and Mr. Louis T. Moore; Mr. Frank G. Harris, of Winston-Salem.

Newton Enterprise: "Mr. and Mrs. George F. Cochran will leave Thursday for Wilmington. Mr. Cochran for two years and a half has been associate editor of The Catawba County News, and goes to Wilmington to take a position on The Morning Star. Mr. Cochran has in Newton sustained his reputation as one of the brightest newspaper writers in the State, and while we regret his leaving Newton, we congratulate him on his call to the leading paper of the Cape Fear section."

Mr. E. B. Ike and bride, of Savannah, Ga., are in the city visiting Mr. Ike's aunt, Mrs. G. Ulmer, No. 410 North Front street. Of their marriage the Savannah Morning News of Thursday had the following: "A late afternoon wedding was solemnized at the Duffy Street Baptist church parsonage at 6:30 o'clock last evening. Rev. W. T. Granade officiating. The contracting parties were Miss Marie West and Mr. Ernest B. Ike. The wedding was very quiet, only the immediate families of the bride and groom being present. The bride party left immediately after the ceremony for Wilmington, N. C., and Philadelphia. They will be at home to their friends about January 8th, at No. 208 Park avenue, west."

FIFTH ANNUAL DANCE OF SIGMA NU FRATERNITY

The fifth annual dance of the Sigma Nu Fraternity was given last night in the ball room of the Masonic Temple, which was most attractively and appropriately decorated. College pen-pal and banners were prominent in the decorations and were so arranged as to give the best effect. Music for the dance was furnished by Johnson's orchestra. The dance was in the nature of a long year event. The fraternity sent out invitations to the young ladies, who in turn invited their escorts. The dance was led by Louis J. Poisson, Esq.

Among those present and dancing were: Miss Eugie Woodruff, Mr. Waddell Waters; Miss Lucille Skinner, Mr. J. M. Camp; Miss Lauriston Hardin, Mr. E. F. Peschau; Miss Olivia Horne, Mr. J. W. Harris; Miss Nannie Lee, Mr. H. Blumenthal; Miss Jena Harris, Mr. William C. Munds, Rutherford, N. J.; Miss Madge E. Brand, Mr. Milton B. Gore; Miss Ernestine Bridges, Mr. J. P. Waters; Miss Kate Northrop, Mr. W. C. Lord; Miss Janie Meares, Mr. Geo. F. Meares; Miss Elizabeth Johnson, L. de'Aigh Munds; Miss Louise Smallbones, Mr. Bernard O'Neill; Miss Florence Kidder, Mr. Louis T. Moore; Miss Charlotte O'Neill, Mr. E. C. Hines; Miss Isabel Smallbones, Mr. D. H. Scott; Miss Mary Owen Green, Mr. Russell Clark, Tarboro; Capt. and Mrs. Clarence D. Maffitt; Miss Sarah Maffitt, Mr. I. Woodward; Miss Lucy Poisson, Mr. Frank L. Williams; Miss Louise Wise, Geo. T. Clark; Miss Edith Clark, J. D. Taylor, Jr.; Miss Isabel Williams, Mr. Robt. M. Williams; Miss Elise Emerson, Mr. Henry T. Clark; Miss Frances Bailey, Mr. Wm. A. Peschau; Miss Madeline DeRosset, Mr. John R. Murchison; Miss Margaret Cronly, Mr. I. B. Grainger; Miss Margaret Quince, Mr. S. C. Pulliam; Miss Etta Brand, Mr. H. B. West; Miss Bessie L. Gore, Mr. Geo. W. Long; Miss Mary L. Cuntwell, Mr. B. Bradford Reynolds; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. James; Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Boatwright; Miss Janet O'Neill, Mr. Meares Harris; Miss Granby, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. J. N. Hunkle, Jr.; Miss Sallie Wright, Mr. A. C. Emerson; Miss Juliet Albright, Mr. Edward Hardin; Miss Florie Northrop, Mr. Willard Cuntwell; Miss Carolina Holmes, Mr. Emmett H. Bel-

lamy; Miss Marie Grainger, Mr. W. M. Parsley; Miss Almeria Stevenson, Mr. H. C. Gault; Miss Kate Faison, Mr. J. Laurens Wright; Miss Julia Faison, Mr. L. G. Hicks; Mr. and Mrs. R. Brown; Miss Helen Williams, Mr. Richard Meares; Miss Cynthia Rountree, Mr. H. K. Nash; Miss Meta Rountree, Mr. H. F. Boatwright; Miss Elise Kidder, Mr. A. C. Chalmers; Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Cantwell; Miss R. Bridges, Mr. Arthur Blumenthal; Miss Alma Peschau, Mr. E. H. Holmes; Miss Margaret Harris, Mr. H. R. Latimer.

Stages—Messrs. J. Franklin Smith, Louis J. Poisson, Rufus W. Hicks, Jr. The officers of the local organization of the Sigma Nu are: President, Mr. W. P. Emerson; vice president, Mr. W. M. Peck; secretary and treasurer, Mr. Clayton Smith. The dance was arranged by a committee composed of Messrs. W. P. Emerson, Louis J. Poisson, Waddell Waters and W. M. Peck.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mrs. Kate Griswold, of Southport, was a guest at The Orion last evening.

—Mr. C. R. Jordan, of Currie, was among last evening's arrivals at The Orion.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Owens, of Charlotte, were among last night's arrivals at The Orion.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Sprunt Newton, of Fayetteville, were guests at The Orion last evening.

—Mr. Claude Gore and little son, of Rockingham, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orion were L. R. Powers, Rutherford, and Mr. J. W. Yount, of Hickory.

—Friends of Mr. M. Rosenmann, who has been ill for several days, will be glad to know that he is much improved and hopes to be out in a short time.

—Mr. J. E. Hatch has been confined to his home for the past week, suffering from a relapse of the grip, but friends will be glad to learn that he is improving and hopes to be out again in a few days.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orion were J. B. Halliburton, Charlotte; H. H. Gardner, Charlotte; B. M. Potter, Southport; S. W. Stanley, Fort Caswell; S. H. McKinnon, Maxton; H. C. Morris, Benson; L. F. Duval, Whiteville; G. K. Niessen, Southport.

LOCAL DOTS.

—License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Mr. Claude C. Whitehurst, of Stratts, N. C., and Miss Stedman Butler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Butler, of Wilmington.

—The German steamer Paula Blumberg, Capt. Paulsen, arrived yesterday from Hamburg with cargo of kalmat to be discharged at the Seaboard Air Line terminals; vessel to Messrs. Heile & Co.

The preliminary hearing of F. C. Collins, a young white man, charged with embezzlement, set for 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon before Justice Harris, was continued until next week. The defendant, who was arrested a few days ago at Elm City, was in court. He gave \$200 justified bond for his appearance at trial on the day set. He is charged with embezzling funds belonging to the Wattle Fruit Co.

A telegram received yesterday by Mr. S. A. Schloss from the manager of the auditorium in Winston-Salem, stated that "The Prince of Pilsen" was presented there Thursday night to a large and enthusiastic audience, and that the attraction was the best of the season. The company's superb orchestra was highly praised, and mention was made of the large record organ carried by the company to augment the orchestra. This organ is said to be the equal of sixteen pieces. It was erroneously stated Thursday morning that the supper given Wednesday night to all the seamen in the port was arranged by the Christian Endeavor Society. It should have been the Seamen's Friend Society. The delightful affair was directed by Mr. Finlay, an old seaman and an official of the Christian Endeavor Society, with the assistance of his wife and several other ladies. The Seamen's Friend Society desires to return its thanks to St. Andrew's Presbyterian church for the use of its hall on this happy occasion.

MENINGITIS BREAKS OUT.

Case is Reported in Millen Jenkins County, Near Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 27.—Officials of the State Board of Health today dispatched Dr. H. F. Park, of that organization, to Millen Jenkins county, Ga., where it was reported a case of cerebro spinal meningitis had broken out. Dr. Park has been investigating conditions at Midville, Ga., where 14 deaths recently occurred from the disease.

At a late hour tonight, no report had been received from Dr. Park in regard to the case at Millen. An appeal today was received from Dr. W. A. Thomas, of Bartow, for a supply of serum used in fighting meningitis. As no mention was made to the board of any cases at that place it is believed the serum is wanted merely as a precautionary measure.

BLACK HAND PLOT SUSPECTED.

Tailor Found Stabbed to Death on Sidewalk.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—A. Chiaro, 39 years old, a tailor, was found stabbed to death on the sidewalk at Vincennes road and East 31st street today. He had received seven wounds. A knife covered with blood, a revolver containing one empty cartridge and a solled hat were near the body. A watch and chain and some money were in the man's clothing. The police believe Chiaro is the victim of a Black Hand plot.

..Theatrical..

Today will be the last time for Wilmington theatregoers to see the clever Four Pickers and their equally as clever company, because this popular organization—Wilmington's favorite—will close its annual engagement today at the Academy of Music. Two performances will be offered today and each will be of swell calibre. At matinee one of the prettiest of all dramas, "Under Arizona Skies," will be offered. It is a dressy bill, just as the ladies love, and it has a great vein of fun, which will immensely delight the children. A fine line of specialties will be introduced between acts, which will further tend to make the performance delightful. The prices for the matinee will be but 10 and 20 cents, to any part of the theatre.

Tonight the company will offer its most striking and intense drama that will hold the attention of all. Another swell vaudeville bill will be given in conjunction with the play. Popular prices will prevail for tonight and seats will be found on sale at Plummer's.

Big Musical, "Prince of Pilsen"

The attraction announced to appear at the Academy on Monday night is Henry W. Savage's "The Prince of Pilsen." This highly esteemed musical comedy occupies a prominent place in the hearts of musical lovers, and the forthcoming presentation will undoubtedly repeat the welcome accorded its former appearances. The company, this season is the best to which the fortunes of this favorite have ever been assigned. "Jesse" Dandy, in the role of "Hans Wagner," is at the head of the organization and as Mr. Dandy has played this part more than twenty-five hundred times, his acquaintance with the role may be called intimate. Lottie Kendall who plays the sprightly widow, has already scored a success in this musical comedy. Norma Brown, as Sidonie, the French maid, sings and dances divinely. Edna Wallace, another newcomer, will have the role of Nellie Wagner. In the list of principals are Arthur Hull, Fred Lyon, Bobby Woolsey, Dorothy Delmore, John O'Hanlon and others. The special orchestra, which is an important factor in the general effectiveness of the performances, will be directed by Emil Biermann. The large chorus combines in a rare degree the qualities of vocal excellence and personal charm. The costumes and scenery are brand new.

The sale of seats started at Plummer's yesterday morning.

Merry New Year's Attraction

For its New Year's day attraction the Academy will make just the jolliest kind of an offering in the clever musical comedy, "School Days," which will be presented by a large company. The attraction will be offered for matinee and night.

In commenting upon "School Days," the Charlotte Observer of Thursday, had this to say:

"Two fairly good houses were at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and last night to see 'School Days' played by a cast that is above the ordinary."

"At the very beginning of the play one is taken back to the time when he attended the little old red school house on the hill and the numerous interruptions and experiences that the teacher has with her pupils was realistic."

"Miss Callie VanVleet, who took the role of the teacher, played her part well and if she were not so young, only 23, the audience would have taken her for one of the revered, sedate teachers of Skedunk or Possum Hollow, so well did she perform her task."

"The star of the play is dainty little Dolly Dupree, who took the part of 'Nonnie Anonymous.' In the language of a country school teacher who saw the play, 'she was just too cute for anything.'"

Joe Marks as 'Izzy Levy' and Art Henry as 'Tommy Tatters,' were stellar attractions and responded to numerous encores."

At The Bijou

Four more big films, in fact, four of the biggest, will form the main feature of today's Bijou bill. It will be a show fitting indeed the holiday times and also one that will maintain a glorious week-end. The Bijou will also offer a merry musical programme and its usual solid comfort ways, which are bound to attract people this kind of weather. It is always warm and cozy at the popular Bijou.

The quartette of superb films will be headed by Melies' greatest achievement in the photoplay line, "The Sheriff Proteus." It is a thriller of the hills, where moonshine liquor is made. It tells a dramatic story with a punch and besides sets forth some beautiful and rugged mountain scenery. The principal characters are the old moonshiner, his daughter and a young revenue officer. The climax of the story is different from anything ever depicted heretofore in moving pictures.

Another fine film for today is, "A Farmer's Son," telling of a country boy's longing for the city, his city life and what comes of it.

"The Scoop" is a comedy film of refined nature and one of the merriest. It tells how a young woman reporter gets an interview with a multi-millionaire when all other reporters have failed, how she meets the rich man's son, thinking him a gardener, and what becomes of it.

A big educational film is also one of today's stars in "Fueble Indians," showing what the government is doing for the Red Man. It is a decidedly instructive film, as well as one of great interest.

Special at The Grand

There will be another special programme at The Grand Theatre today and Mr. Chick will again sing, "The Mocking Bird Rag." This is a great hit and everybody is invited to hear Mr. Chick sing it. Then the Grand's favorite orchestra will feature on its programme today, "The Blackstone March," by Frank Palma, Jr., and the "June Bride Selection," by Edmund Eysler.

This programme of special music will be appreciated by all patrons of the Grand but it should be remembered that in addition to this there will be a complete programme of the pictures and some of the very best that are to be had. The Grand Theatre never does things by halves and it is a pleasure for the management to an-

nounce that today the feature pictures will be a wonderful Pathe entitled, "The Receiving Teller." This is a story of the lure of gold and of a tragedy that fortunately turns out well.

Another big feature is a Cline, "Because of a Widow." Two young fellows fall violently in love with her and the rivals wage a merry war for her heart and hand. It is a great picture and one that will keep the interest riveted from start to finish.

All pictures at the Grand are put on with all realistic effects and one should not miss them. The admission is small, the house is comfortable and cozy.

Delivery Boy Struck by Car.

A junction-bound suburban car of the Tidewater Power Co. last night about 7 o'clock at Third and Princess streets, ran into Ed Brinkley, colored, 16 years old, a delivery boy for the Wilmington Pressing Club, who was bound north on Third street on a bicycle. The boy was apparently thrown under the car and how he escaped death was marvelous to those who witnessed the accident. However, he was taken from the front of the car and carried to the pressing club rooms, No. 10 North Third street, where Dr. G. H. Croom attended him. He seemed to have no serious injury and was sent to his home in Love's alley.

UNKNOWN SCHOONER AFIRE.

Revenue Cutter Seneca Dispatched to Aid Distressed Vessel.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 27.—After receiving a wireless report that an unknown schooner was afire, at sea 12 miles southeast of Block Island, without possibility of receiving assistance from life saving stations, owing to the heavy gale and high seas that prevail, the revenue cutter Seneca was dispatched tonight from New London, Conn., to the rescue. Word also was sent to the cutter at Woods Hole, Mass., and she is expected to go to the scene.

The report came from the New Shoreham Life Saving Station on Block Island. Sea and weather conditions are reported to be such that help from the life savers is out of the question.

COMPLETE MARCH TODAY.

"General" Jones' Army Covers 14 Miles in Snow Storm.

Niverville, N. Y., Dec. 27.—After a 14-mile walk from Stockport in a driving snow storm, "General" Rosalie Jones and her marching suffragettes who are bearing a message to Governor-elect Sulzer at Albany, decided to push on in the dark this evening for another three miles from Phat Tree Inn to Niverville. In the morning they will be driven to Niverville and from there they will take up their walk again, hoping to cover the remaining 12 miles into Albany by early afternoon. The weather was very trying to the five marching pilgrims today, changing this morning from rain to a snow. The roads for many miles were a foot deep with slush and snow. Fifty women enthusiasts with a brass band will meet the tired little army tomorrow at East Greenbush and escort them with much pomp and ceremony the remaining three miles into Albany. Sunday will be spent in resting and it is probable that an audience with Governor-elect Sulzer will be obtained Monday. The pilgrims plan to attend the inauguration ball New Year's Eve.

The Recorder's Court.

There were only a few cases on the Recorder's court docket yesterday morning. Cheek Owens, colored, was arraigned on a charge of larceny of a rain coat. The charge was changed to trespass and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. Similar action was taken in a case against Caleb Richardson, colored, charged with the larceny of some hay. Nol pros with leave was taken in a case against Robert Snakenberg, charged with operating an automobile without a number. Bob Busom was given 60 days on the roads for assault on his wife.

Philadelphia, December 27.—The United States Court here today appointed Samuel P. Wetherill receiver for the Philadelphia and Gulf Steamship Company, which operates a line of freight steamers between Philadelphia and New Orleans. The company was organized in 1908 with a capitalization of \$1,000,000. The petition for the receiver states that the company operated the steamers at a loss and that it is insolvent.

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COTTON GENERALLY LOWER THE WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW STOCK MOVEMENT WAS SLACK

Such Variations in Prices as List Revealed Were Mostly Losses—Specialties Fluctuated—Money Very Erratic.

New York, Dec. 27.—Such variations in prices as the stock list revealed at the close of today's business were for the most part losses, but so far as the standard stocks were concerned, the movement was slight. It was another day of unusually small business and utter lack of initiative. The principal fluctuations were among the specialties, Harvester, Beet Sugar, Can and

Rubber falling back from 1 to 4 points each. For a time early in the day the railroad shares gave some indications of strength and the Goppers moved up.

of strength and the Coppers moved upward in keeping with the advance of the market abroad, but they also were small and of short duration. Money rates fluctuated in an erratic way. The opening was at 10 per cent., from which it was advanced quickly to 12 per cent. Renewals were made at 12 per cent., the highest renewal rate of the year. The rate fell off steadily and during the afternoon 7 per cent. was indicated in forecasts. The day reported that various out-of-town banks which had deposited funds here for loaning were holding out for 15 per cent. The demand for accommodation, however, was small and toward the close the quotation fell off until offerings were made at 1 per cent.

A further cash gain by the banks was indicated in forecasts of the weekly statement, estimates being in the neighborhood of \$4,000,000. It is expected that tomorrow's statement will reflect a return of cash with drawn for Christmas which caused a smaller gain in cash last week than had been thought.

The bond market was irregular, with some heaviness in convertible issues. Total sales, par value, \$1,460,000. Unit estimates: 2s coupon advanced 1-8, the 2s, registered 3-8, and 3s coupon 1-2 on call. Total sales today 125,900 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.		
Annihilated Copper		769
American Agricultural		544
American Beet Sugar		294
American Can		1149
American Can and		351
American Car and Foundry		551
American Cotton Oil		551
American Ice Securities		191
American Lined		111
American Locomotive		421
American Smelting and Ref		721
Amer. Smelting and Ref. pfd		117
American Sugar		117
American Tel and Tel		471
American Tobacco		141

Atchison, pfd	104
Atlantic Coast Line	1313
Baltimore and Ohio	1062
Beithehne Steel	593
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	322
Canadian Pacific	322
Central Leather	78
Chesapeake and Ohio	29
Chicago Great Western	104
Chicago and North Western	1253
Colorado Fuel and Iron	1400
Consolidated Gas	137
Corn Products	163
Delaware and Hudson	19
Denver and Rio Grande	21
Denver Rio Grande, pfd	21
Distillers' Securities	21
Erle	28
Erle, 1st pfd	28
Erle, 2nd pfd	28
General Electric	1253
Great Northern, pfd	120
Great Northern Ore Cfs	40
Illinois Central	130
Interborough-Met.	67
Interborough-Met., pfd	130
Inter-Harvester	11
Inter-Marine, pfd	12
International Paper	118
International Pump	40
Kansas City Southern	102
Lehigh Valley	161
Louisville and Nashville	40
Miss. St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	131
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	26
Missouri Pacific	40
National Lead	25
National Lead	25
Nat Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd	27
New York Central	102
New York and Western	112
Norfolk and Western	102
North American	79
Northwestern Pacific	120
Pacific Mail	31
Pennsylvania	121
People's Gas	121
St. Louis and St. Louis	121

Pullman Palace Car	104
Reading	23
Republic	23
Republic Iron and Steel, pfd	23
Rock Island Co	25
Rock Island Co, pfd	25
Rt. 1, Long and Fran. 2nd pfd	25
Seaboard Air Line	18
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	18
St. Louis and Iron	103
Southern Pacific	103
Southern Railway	27
Southern Railway, pfd	27
Tennessee Copper	80
Texas and Pacific	25
Union Pacific	25
Union Pacific, pfd	94
United States Realty	25
United States Rubber	61
United States Steel	25
United States Steel, pfd	103
Utah Copper	25
Wabash	25

Western Maryland	46
Western Union	27
Westinghouse Electric	78
Wheeling and Lake Erie	8

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 27.—Wheat—Easy. No. 1 red, 1.07@1.08; No. 1, Northern Duluth 1.06@1.07.

Flour—Steady.

Corn—Barely steady, 54¢.

Hides—Easy.

Leather—Firm.

Petroleum—Steady.

Rice—Steady.

Molasses—Steady.

Sugar—Quiet.
 Steady—Steady; refined, steady.
 Butter—Steady.
 Cheese—Steady and unchanged.
 Coffee—Quiet. Rio, No. 3, 14½; Santos, No. 4, 16; mild, quiet; Colima, 10½ nominal.
 Potatoes—Steady and unchanged.
 Cabbages—Steady and unchanged.
 Freights—Unchanged.
 Peanuts—Unchanged.
 Cotton Seed Oil—Lower, under liquidation in March for Western account. Induced the weakens in lard and cotton and lack of interest in sugar. December was generally 5 to 9 points net lower. Prime crude, 5.26 nominal; prime Sudan, 5.30 nominal. January, 6.10; February, 6.17; March, 6.31; April, 6.55; May, 6.50; December and January, 6.50 nominal. December and April, 6.25; May, 6.30; June, 6.23; July, 6.37; prime. White and Yellow and Sudan.

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VIRGINIA GREETINGS HER NATIVE SON

(Continued from Page One.)

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 27.—President-elect Woodrow Wilson shook off his attack of the grippe and started away today to Staunton, Va., his birthplace, where tomorrow he will celebrate his 56th birthday. Mrs. Wilson accompanied the Governor. He was bundled up warmly in an automobile, which took them to the station. A drizzling rain was falling and the streets were full of slush.

Dr. James Carnahan called early to see if the Governor was physically fit to make the trip, and pronounced him "about himself again."

He said he did not think it particularly risky for Mr. Wilson to go, but advised him to take good care of himself. The Governor's train left at 10:30, due to connect with a fast train which was stopped especially for him at Princeton Junction at 10:48. National Chairman William F. McCombs and a party of Virginians living in New York were aboard the train.

Governor Wilson will participate in a celebration given by the townspeople tomorrow and will attend a banquet in his honor tomorrow night. He will leave Staunton at 11:05 Sunday morning and will reach Princeton Sunday night.

Feeling a Bit Husky.
Philadelphia, Dec. 27.—President-elect Wilson and party passed through here at 11:59 o'clock en route to Staunton, Va.

"I feel a little bit husky," said the Governor, "but otherwise I am all right."

The Governor said the weakness in his voice probably was due to the relaxation of the last few days, rather than to the possibility that his cold had settled in the throat.

The Governor's face appeared drawn, but he said he probably would be back to normal health in a day or so. The President-elect had a great many things to tell National Chairman McCombs, who was on the train. To Mr. McCombs alone it is believed Governor Wilson is confiding his thoughts about making up the cabinet.

The National chairman admitted today that he knew many things, but was not at liberty to tell. He believed, however, he said, that important announcements would not be made until March 1st.

Passes Through Capital.
Washington, Dec. 27.—President-elect Wilson passed through here late this afternoon for Staunton. Senators Swanson, of Virginia, and Martin, of New Jersey; Representatives Jones and Carlin, of Virginia, and other members of both houses of Congress joined the party.

Virginians Join Party.
Richmond, Va., Dec. 27.—A large party left Richmond today in private cars for Staunton to join in the Woodrow Wilson celebration. Among them were Governor and Mrs. Mann, Lieut. Gov. Elyson, A. J. Montague, former Governor, and now Congressman-elect, former Lieut. Gov. Willard, Richard Evelyn Byrd, speaker of the Virginia House, and Mr. Wilson's campaign manager in Virginia, John Stewart Bryan, Charles V. Meredith, C. B. Cook, S. M. Smith and Robert L. Montague.

Discusses Philippines.
Staunton, Va., Dec. 27.—President-elect Wilson favors a provisional government for the Philippines for eight years and independence thereafter, according to Representative William A. Jones, of Virginia, chairman of the House Insular Affairs Committee, who discussed the Philippine situation with him on the train today.

The President-elect announced merely that he had talked with Mr. Jones about the "general situation in the Philippines." Asked particularly if he had talked about the bill being pressed by Representative Jones in Congress, proposing a provisional government for eight years and independence afterwards, Mr. Wilson replied: "Oh, we talked about that at Seagirt last summer."

Representative Jones, however, had no hesitancy in saying that Governor Wilson already had heartily endorsed to him the pending bill.

"We really don't expect the measure to pass this Congress," said Mr. Jones, "but it surely will go to you in the extra session and will be one of the first pledges of the Democratic National platform to be carried out."

Wants Simple Inauguration.
Washington, Dec. 27.—Inauguration ceremonies in the past have been too spectacular and pretentious, in the opinion of President-elect Woodrow Wilson, who wants his inauguration to be as simple as possible. While the President-elect was here for a few minutes today en route to Staunton, he talked with William Corcoran Eustis, recently chosen chairman of the inauguration committee.

"The thing has been overdone in the past," he said. "I wish you would have the ceremonies as simple as may be consistent with dignity and order."

The President-elect today had his first glimpse of the National capital since his election. As he stepped to the platform here he was greeted by Senators Martine, of New Jersey, and Swanson, of Virginia, and Representatives Jones and Carlin, of Virginia, Chairman Eustis and Secretary Vick, of the inauguration committee, and others.

Governor Wilson shook hands heartily with those introduced to him and talked a few minutes with Mr. Eustis, referring briefly to the inauguration plans. Then he stepped into the car and the informal reception continued as the car was switched from the Pennsylvania tracks to the waiting Chesapeake & Ohio train.

Couldn't Attend But One.
Staunton, Va., Dec. 27.—Though President-elect Wilson accepted the invitation of his fellow pensioners to spend his birthday here he sent his regrets that he could not attend another birthday celebration to which Master John Paul Mainsbaum, of No. 523 Steuben street, Pittsburg, invited him.

The Governor wrote the following reply: "My Dear Little Friend: 'I wish with all my heart that I could attend your birthday party on the 28th of December. It would be very delightful. If I could come I

am sure I would manage to feel almost as young as you are, but unfortunately it is not possible. I can only send my warm greetings and heartiest best wishes.

"Cordially yours,
"WOODROW WILSON."

FUR-BEARING ANIMALS

Skunks, Muskrats, Mink and Foxes—

Raised for Pelts

Washington, D. C., December 27.—According to the annual report of the Biological Survey recently submitted to Secretary Wilson the rearing of fur-bearing animals in the United States for their pelts continues to be a subject of much interest. Skunks, muskrats, mink and foxes are reared in captivity or on preserves under control of breeders. The large prices asked for mature black foxes for breeding purposes has resulted in confining the industry in the hands of a very few. Comparatively few attempts have been made to raise mink in the United States, but experiments are being conducted in co-operation with the National Zoological Park with a view to determining the most successful methods of rearing these animals.

Muskrat farming has probably reached its highest point of development on the eastern shore of Maryland. Muskrat marshes are worth more measured by their actual income than cultivated farms of like acreage in the same vicinity. Only one other animal in the world, the European rabbit, exceeds the muskrat in the number of skins marketed.

The report also calls attention to experiments for the extermination of prairie dogs, ground squirrels and gophers that are being conducted by means of poison baits, traps and other methods. It is a surprising fact that the daily forage of 32 adult prairie dogs equals that required for a sheep, and that 250 nearly as much as a cow. Spotted fever ticks in the two younger stages live almost wholly upon small native rodents, and the California ground squirrel has been infected with bubonic plague by fleas from rats. The danger that these diseases may become endemic furnishes an additional important reason for the destruction of the animals.

The bureau reports that the antelope is in greater danger of extermination than any other kind of American big game, that there is great need for a suitable preserve in the antelope country, and that the buffalo on the National Bison Range have now increased to 81, or 44 more than the original number three years ago.

There are now 56 bird reservations, and additional inspectors and wardens have been appointed to care for them. The European rabbit, introduced on Farallon Islands, California, and Laysan Island, Hawaii, has become such a pest that efforts will be made to reduce its number on Laysan Island. Every effort has been made to stop the sale of plumage of certain birds, gulls, terns, and especially herons. New regulations passed under the Alaska game law practically makes game refuges of five islands in Southeastern Alaska. Instructions have been given to the revenue cutters in Bering Sea to insure a strict enforcement of the law protecting walrus.

TWO FATALLY INJURED.
Street Car Jumped Track on Bridge and Plunged 40 Feet.

Cincinnati, Dec. 27.—Two men were probably fatally injured and seven others received more or less serious injuries tonight when a street car jumped a track on the central bridge which spans the Ohio river here and was precipitated into a vacant lot after a drop of 40 feet.

Both the motorman of the car, John Rashford, of Covington, Ky., and Conductor Orley Clemmons, of Newport, Ky., are expected to die from their injuries. The remainder of the injured were passengers. The car which was city-bound from Newport, after leaving the tracks, smashed through a guard rail and turned a complete somersault before striking the ground. It was wrecked completely.

MUCH COUNTERFEIT MONEY.
Small Coin Intended to be Passed in Holiday Rush.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Remarkable activity among small coin counterfeiters in the past few weeks is attributed by secret service officials to the rush of the Christmas season, when offenders expected to pass spurious money on the hurrying public. Most of the counterfeiters were half dollars, circulated in the East.

The capture at New York on Christmas Eve of Louis Julien on the charge of making and circulating bad money makes the fourth recent arrest of alleged coin counterfeiters.

Reports to the secret service here state that 21 counterfeit halves and a complete counterfeiting outfit, including molds for dollars, halves and quarters, were seized with Julien.

LA FOLLETTE TO KEEP UP WAR.
Will Urge Progressives to Stay in Republican Party.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 27.—United States Senator LaFollette will make his first public appearance since the election in the Minneapolis Auditorium next Monday evening under the auspices of the Minnesota Progressive Republican League. He will talk on "The New Deal in Politics," and it is expected that he will urge the Progressives to remain in the Republican ranks.

Senator LaFollette's visit to Minneapolis will be chiefly for the purpose of speaking to the Farmers' Equity Societies of North and South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Drives Off a Terror.
The chief suspicion of death in the Winter and Spring months is pneumonia. Its advance agents are colds and grip. In any attack by one of these maladies no time should be lost in taking the best medicine obtainable to drive it off. Countless thousands have found this to be Dr. King's New Discovery. "My husband believes it has kept him from having pneumonia three or four times," writes Mrs. George W. Place, Rawsonville, Vt., "and for coughs, colds and croup we have never found its equal." Guaranteed for all bronchial affections. Price 20 cts. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at R. R. Bellamy.

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PAID FOR HUSBAND'S MURDER

(Continued from Page One.)

him any more. Just then he fell over. "I put his gun in his hand and arranged the body so as to make it look like he had shot himself, then went back to the house and told Mrs. King what I had done. She said I was a good boy and she thought a lot of me."

Barber, the negro prisoner, stated that a few minutes before the killing Wilburn had told him that he was going to shoot King. He said that he had frequently heard Mrs. King tell her husband that she would like to get rid of him because she was tired of "seeing him sit around."

Mrs. King is the mother of six children. Her oldest daughter married a brother of Wilburn. Mrs. King has taken a prominent part in church work in Jones county. The King plantation is said to be one of the largest in Middle Georgia.

THE COTTON MOVEMENT.
Hester's Weekly Statement Shows Decrease in Into-Sight Figures.

New Orleans, Dec. 27.—Secretary Hester's weekly New Orleans Cotton Exchange statement issued today shows a decrease in the movement into sight compared with the seven days ending this date last year in round figures of 62,000. For the 27 days of December the total shows a decrease under last year of 219,000.

For the 115 days of the season that have elapsed, the aggregate is behind the 115 days of last year.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 427,674 bales against 489,505 for the seven days ending this date last year and for the 27 days of December it has been 2,046,249 against 2,265,768 last year.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports of 6,888,745 against 7,046,912 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 491,291 against 593,914 last year; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 734,407 against 848,330 last year, and Southern mills' takings 1,201,000 against 1,066,428.

These make the total movement for the 115 days of the season from September 1st to date 9,315,450 against 9,405,884 last year.

Foreign exports for the week have been 193,605 against 388,740 last year, making the total thus far for the season 5,101,290 against 4,989,952 last year.

The total takings of American mills, North, South and Canada thus far for the season have been 2,549,508 bales against 2,243,826 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the 29 leading Southern interior centers have increased during the week 45,742 bales, against a decrease during the corresponding period last season of 40,692 and are now 340,789 smaller than at this date in 1911.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far from the new crop, the supply to date is 9,680,163 against 9,692,358 for the same period last year.

LABOR UNION OFFICIAL SHOT.
Murder by Fellow-Officer Attributed to Feud Among Leaders.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—James Conway, a judge of election and candidate for treasurer of the United States Steamfitters and Helpers Union, local No. 529, was shot and instantly killed today by Thomas Freeman, secretary of the union, at the latter's headquarters in the Mortimer building in West Washington today.

The murder of Conway, ostensibly the outcome of a quarrel regarding the possession of an automobile by rival factions of the union, is according to the police, directly attributable to the old factional strife between various union organizations which led to the murder of Vincent Altman in the Briggs House bar two years ago, for which Maurice ("Moss") Enright, labor slugger and gunman, was sent to the Joliet penitentiary for life.

The same labor troubles are believed to have resulted in the fatal shooting of William (Dutch) Gentleman, in Pat O'Malley's saloon, North State and Randolph streets, during the same period of sluggings and shootings. The detectives believe the present split in local 529 is traceable to the old troubles and jealousies.

Freeman, who was promptly arrested, admits the shooting, but declares it was a matter of self defense.

MILEAGE BOOK HEARINGS.
Inter-State Commerce Commissioners Hear Three Witnesses.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 27.—Special Examiners Elder and Ryan, sitting for the Inter-State Commerce Commission began the hearing in this city today of the mileage book dispute between the traveling men and the public generally and the railroads of the South. The hearing began at 10 o'clock this morning and adjourned at 11 o'clock tonight to be called again tomorrow.

Only three witnesses have thus far been examined, a local commercial traveler and the passenger traffic managers of the Southern and Atlantic Coast Line railroads.

The hearing was called by the Inter-State Commerce Commission as the result of proceedings instituted by the South Carolina Railroad Commission with a view to determining whether the present regulations of rules governing the issuance of mileage books are fair and equitable. Seventy-nine railroads operating in the South are affected. The hearing will probably be concluded tomorrow night.

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Congressional Medal Awarded New York Fire Boat Crew (Special Star Telegram.)

New York, December 27.—Congressional medals for heroism in saving a man from drowning were awarded Capt. Henry Lakstrom and Pilot Herbert Whitcomb, of the Fireboat Thomas Willitt, at fire headquarters today. Representative Stephen Ayers making the presentation. On September 20th, the Captain dove from his boat, anchored at the time in the Hudson river off Bloomfield street, in answer to the cries of Julius E. Chadwick, of Wilmington, N. C., who was struggling to keep himself afloat. Pilot Whitcomb followed Lakstrom overboard and together they effected the rescue.

SENT TO NEW YORK
George Young, Who Ran Away, Must Return Home.

Savannah, Ga., December 27.—George Young, 16 years old, who ran away from York, N. Y., last week and who was arrested by Savannah police, will be sent to New York on the steamship Montgomery tomorrow. A telegram from the boy's aunt, Miss Florence Young, of Yorkers, asked that he be sent there. "I am glad to get out of jail," he said, "but I'm not crazy about going back to Yorkers."

The youth is the adopted son of Miss Mary Young, a wealthy woman of South Hadley, Mass.

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A. David Co.—Happy New Year. Bijou-Motion Pictures. American National Bank—Our Facilities. Robert C. DeRosier—Office Supplies.

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LOST—Dec. 26th, unopened letter, postage stamp on front. G. S. McDaniel, Box 402. de28-11*

LOST—Liver and white pointer dog, seven months old; last seen around water front Friday afternoon. Reward for return to J. D. Sparks, U. S. Engineer's office, P. O. Bldg. de28-11

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ALL PERSONS are warned against harboring or trusting any of the crew of the British Steamer ship "Maudslayi," or any other persons who may be found on board, who are indebted to J. W. Middleton, Master, or Heide & Company, Agents. de27-11

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